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FOR: 3D-CARDIAC TISSUE ENGINEERING FOR THE

CELL THERAPY OF HEART FAILURE

FURTHER PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents October 28, 2008 P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.